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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Bailey III et al.

Attorney Docket No.:
LAM1P123/P0557

Application No.: 09/470,236

Examiner: Alejandro Mulero, L.

Filed: November 15, 1999

Group: 1763

Title: PLASMA PROCESSING SYSTEM
WITH DYNAMIC GAS DISTRIBUTION
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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| | Claims After Amendment | | Highest Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Small Entity Rate Fee | Large Entity Rate Fee |
|--|------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total Claims | 37 | MINUS | 37 | 00 | x 9 = | x 18 = |
| Independent Claims | 03 | MINUS | 03 | 00 | x 40 = | x 80 = |
| Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid | | | | | \$135.00 | \$270.00 |
| | | | | Total | \$ | \$0 |

Applicant(s) hereby petition for a one-month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.

Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.

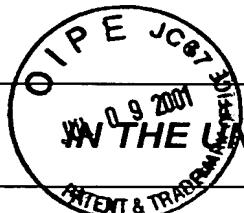
Enclosed is our Check No. _____ in the amount of \$_____ to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.

Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. LAM1P123).

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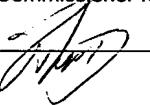
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 10, 2001, please enter the following remarks:

REMARKS

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-19 as being anticipated by one or more of the U.S. patents: *Moslehi et al.*, *Li et al.*, *Hartig et al.*, and *Ishii et al.* The Examiner also rejected claims 10, 11 and 19-37 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) in view of